

Application No. to be assigned
In re Application of HIRATA
Preliminary Amendment

REMARKS

The foregoing Preliminary Amendments comply with U.S. Patent practice and no new subject matter is added. Examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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